

December 1, 2011

## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Dr. Burl W. Haar Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 350 Metro Square Building 121 Seventh Place East St. Paul, MN 55101

Re: Compliance Filing: Route Permit Condition IV.F.1

In the Matter of the Application for a Route Permit for the Monticello to

St. Cloud 345 kV Transmission Line Project MPUC Docket No. E002, ET2/TL-09-246

Dear Dr. Haar:

On July 12, 2010, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission granted a Route Permit for the Monticello-St. Cloud 345 kV Project. Permittees respectfully submit this compliance filing per Condition IV.F.1 of the above-referenced Route Permit.

Barring unforeseen circumstances, the 345 kV transmission line and the Quarry Substation are anticipated to be energized on December 20, 2011. Certain construction, restoration, and cleanup activities continue along the 345 kV transmission line and at the Quarry Substation. Another filing will be submitted when those activities are complete.

If you have any questions, please contact me at darrin.f.lahr@xcelenergy.com or 763-493-1808.

Sincerely,

Darrin F. Lahr Xcel Energy

Supervisor, Siting and Land Rights

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